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In re Application of Toshihiko Ohtomo et al

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: PETITION DECISION

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.59(b), filed July 23, 2007, to expunge a Proprietary Information Disclosure Statement from the above identified application.

Petitioner requests that documents submitted with the petition as a Proprietary Information Disclosure Statement (PIDS) be expunged from the record. Petitioner states either: (A) that the information contains trade secret material, proprietary material and/or material that is subject to a protective order which has not been made public; or (B) that the information submitted was unintentionally submitted and the failure to obtain its return would cause irreparable harm to the party who submitted the information or to the party in interest on whose behalf the information was submitted, and the information has not otherwise been made public. The petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(h) has been paid.

The information submitted as proprietary material was submitted in accordance with M.P.E.P. 724. This is an unexamined application and the material has yet to be reviewed. Therefore, the petition cannot be granted at this time. Upon determination of patentability as evidenced by a Notice of Allowability or abandonment of the application the material will be returned upon submission of a renewed petition. No additional petition fee will be due for the renewed petition.

The petition is **<u>DISMISSED</u>** with prejudice to submission of a renewed petition at an appropriate time.

Should there be any questions with respect to this decision, please contact William R. Dixon, Jr., by mail addressed to: Director, Technology Center 1600, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or by telephone at 571-272-0519 or by facsimile transmission at general Office facsimile number.

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